They will make good witnesses. Some of the men who were promised

Some of the men who voted for the consolidation bill in the Senate and the

House never received any boodle. They will make good witnesses. Some of the men who voted for both gas measures never knew there was

any boodle in it. They will make good witnesses.

They will make good witnesses. Some men who voted for the bill did not know at the time that there was

boodle in it. They should be given a chance to tell what they have learned since.

Among others who are likely to be called to tell what they know about the passage of these measures and the poldents attending their passage are the following well-known citizens:

C. K. G. Billings, Baron Jerzmanowski

James F. Meagher.

Roswell P. Flower, L. A. Wiley.

J. A. Zimmerman, F. A. Crane.

Anthony N. Bredy. Walton Ferguson.

Perry A. Hull. Charles H. Cray ford. The officers of the Ogden Gas Com-

Sonators who voted for the

bills. Senators Aspinwall, Baxter, Berry, Bollinger, Crawford, Curly, Dresser, Dwyer, Evans, Fisher, Fitzpatrick, Granger, Harding, Hull, Humphrey, Hunt, Landrigan, Leeper, Littler, Lundin, McKinlay, Morrison, Mounts, Munroe, Netterstrom, O'Brien, Pemberton, Sawyer, Sparks, Stubblefield and Sul-

The Representatives who voted for the bills.

Representatives Anderson, Allen. Atchison, Barnes, Barricklow, Bartling, Blood, Bovey, Branen, Brignadello. Brown, Bryant, Buckner, Busse (R. C.), Butter, Carmody, Cavanagh, Compton, Craig, De Woody, Dickson, Edelstein, Eldredge, Ely, Farrell, Flanigan, Fuller, Galligan, Glade, Hall (Ross C.), Hall (Frank L.), Harnsberger, Horn, Jarvis, Johnson (C. C.), Kain, Kilcourse, King, Kolstedt, La Monte, Lange, Laub, Lovett, McDonough, Mc-Gee, McGinnis, McEniry, Menney, Mitchell, Montgomery, Morris, Murdock, Murray (H. V.), Murray (A. G.), Needles, Nichols, Nohe, Noling, Nothnagel, Novak, Olsen, O'Shea, Parrish, Perrottet, Powell (A.), Price, Quanstrom, Revell, Rhodes, Rowe, Salmans, Sayler, Schwab, Schubert, Selby, Sharrock, Sherman, Steen, Sterchie, Suttle, Thiemann, Thomas, Tisdel, Torrence Walleck, Wathier, Webb, Weldmaler and Wilson.

In addition to the above, there will be called:

Two very prominent political leaders, whose names are known to all wit-

Several witnesses to transactions in the Ashland Block, whose names are easily obtainable, but which are suppressed temporarily.

Several witnesses to transactions at Gore's Hotel whose names are accessible, but which are suppressed tem-

The history of the passage of the gas frontage iniquity is the history of a

By the lav!sh use of money this scandalous measure was rushed through the General Assembly in 1805. Peculiar a Governor as Altgeld was,

the actions of the corruptionists who were behind the infamous gas law were so bold and so open that the then Governor vetoed it in the following

State of Illinois, Executive Office, June

To the Honorable, the Gentlemen of the Senate:

I herewith return, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 362, being "An nct to amend section 1 of 'An act in relation to the consolidation of incorporated companies,' approved March

This bill provides for the consolidation of any number of corporations organized for the same, or similar, general purposes. UNDER IT, ALL COR-PORATIONS ENGAGED IN THE SAME GENERAL LINE OF BUSI-NESS CAN CONSOLIDATE, AND THUS LEGALLY FORM A MONOP-

If this bill, or any existing law, made provision for adequately protecting the public in all such cases, then I would not hesitate to sign it, for it has been my desire to co-operate with the General Assembly as far as possible; BUT FOR THE STATE TO DELIBER-ATELY LEGALIZE MONOPOLY, AND MAKE ABSOLUTELY NO PRO-VISION FOR PROTECTING THE PEOPLE OF ILLINOIS FROM EX-TORTIONS AND OPPRESSIONS, WOULD BE A CRIME.

JOHN P. ALTGELD,

Governor. On motion of Senator Crawford, the consideration of the bill and of the veto message was made a special order for June 12 at 11 a. m., when action was again postponed until June 13, again until June 14, when after reading of the journal it was then postponed for one hour, then postponed until 4 p. m., when, on motion of Mr. Crawford, it was ordered to lie on the

"The price of gas in Chicago will be advanced to \$3 per 1,000 feet on July 1. 1899," said a man close to the Gas Trust the other day.

"What is the object of the raise?" was asked him.

good. The object of the raise will be That deal will not be outlawed for over to make money, of course, and make a year yet, as much of it as possible. "The people will have to stand it or

go without gas "You don't suppose the Gas Trust spent \$250,000 to buy the Legislature

for nothing, do you? The Gas Trust is not a charitable organization. "It paid out \$250,000 in bribe money to induce the last Legislature to make

it a present of the consolidation and

"This measure gave the Gas Trust legal authority to consolidate the va- revenue law?

rious companies into a big one, and to form a monopoly that would last for-

"You don't suppose for a moment \$750 each for their votes only received that the gas companies consolidated for the purpose of keeping down the price of gas, do you?

"You don't suppose for a mo that the gas companies consolidated for the purpose of lowering the price to consumers?

"If you do you must be pretty green. "The Gas Trust procured the passage of the consolidation and frontage mens ures so that it could make more money and pay bigger dividends by raising the price of the commodity per 1,000 feet.

The company needs money. "Most of its mains and street pipes throughout the city are either honey ombed by electrolysis or are rotten and worthless. These must be re

"A million must be spent for other

needed improvements. "Had there been no consolidation and frontage law these improvements would have been paid for by the stockholders, because the certainty of competition would have prevented an inrease in the charge to consumers.

"The consolidation and frontage law however, gives the Trust a free and open field. It will raise the price of gas to \$3 per 1,000 feet July 1, 1809, mark my words for it.

"Why wait until July 1? Well, anyone ought to know the reason for that. By July 1 the present Legislature will have adjourned, and we have no fear that the skates in this aggregation of doughheads wi'l interfere with the frontage law. Waiting until they adjourn before ra'sing the price of Gas gives us a cincle on that proposition. If the price was raised now there would be a howl, and the tattooed men might bother us. But we will wait until the cheap boys get through and then we will raise our limit to \$3 per thousand feet in Chicago.

The people are crying for the repeal of the frontage act, Senator Case.

The Gas Trust apologist and chief whisperer and go-between, who is around the City Holl of Inte, served five years in the Oh., scritentiary for a nameless crime.

The Chicago Gas Trust, which bought and paid for the passage of the infamous consolidation law in the last Legislature, will try to buy another one this winter. The one they bought does not sult them entirely.

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When the Sangamon County Grand Jury investigates Legislative bribery it must not forget the Gas Trust agent "What is the object? Well, that's who manipulated the deal of 1897.

> The Sangamon County Grand Jury ought to summon the attorney for the Armour interests, referred to in the Board of Trade report,

> We are anxious to see whether the Gas Trust will buy the Board of Assessors and Board of Review this year. It will try to.

Can Gas Trust money



VOTERS OF CHICAGO!

Remember Gas Trust Akin, the Attorney-General of Illinois.

When Attorney Meagher was operating in Springfield he is said to have told a Senate Committee that the Legislature could regulate the price of gas after the Consolidation Bill was passed! Will Mr. Meagher inform an anxious public how it is that the Consolidation Bill can be weak in one particular and valid in all others? The only way to lower the price of gas is to give free competition. The repeal of the Frontage Law will give Chicago six new Gas Companies.

The Gas Trust uses Chicago's streets and pays absolutely nothing for them. On the contrary, it charges the city \$1 per 1,000 feet for all the gas it uses, and the city pays the price!

When the People's Gas Company made gas out of coal it employed 700 men at good wages. It now makes gas out of oil and employs about 40 men in the new process.

Four gallons of oil cost 3-4 of a cent a gallon and make 1,000 feet of gas, which nets \$1 when sold to the people.

The Gas Trust shows the European noblemen, whose money it handles, that some things can be bought here cheaper than they can in Europe—Legislatures, for instance.

The Chicago managers of the Gas Trust are at the bottom of several other trusts that control the people's food supply. The Gas Trust will soon be able to starve the people or keep them in darkness, as it sees fit.

You know who your Senators and Representatives are, and if you are not sure whether they were bribe-takers or not, just ask some one.

Everybody knows the grafters, but the people have been too lenient with them.

The time has come for the people to strike bribery, and strike it hard. If it is not rebuked now your lives and your liberties will be sold before you know it!

The City Council of the City of Chicago, by a vote of 50 to 8, has passed resolutions asking the State Legislature to repeal the infamous Gas Frontage and Consolidation Laws. Will the Legislature hearken to the request and do its duty?

The people of Chicago appeal to the Legislature to repeal the infamous Consolidation and Frontage Bill and save them from a raise to \$3 per 1,000 feet for gas after July I, 1899. The raise will surely come if the bill is not repealed! Will the Legislature stand by the suffering people?

The Hospitals, Orphan Asylums, Charitable Institutions (both public and private), and all Churches, Schools and Institutions of Learning are the especial prey of the Gas Trust. The Gas Trust has a perpetual monopoly, thanks to the infamous Consolidation and Frontage Bill it purchased at Springfield. Is there no remedy?

The Gas Trust robs the Soldiers' Widow. It robs the Orphan. It robs the Aged. joys a perpetual monopoly as the result of bribery. Is there no recourse?

The Gas Trust has the impudence to ask the Legislature for a new law this year. The new law is even worse than the old. It hands the people of Chicago over to the Monopoly body, soul and breeches. There are no "flaws" in itl